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MEDIA

PBS NewsHour: Reporter Kathleen McCleary wanted to interview someone from EPA to get general information on what our efforts are on the ground. She interviewed Region 6 OSC Mark Hayes. SFUND. CLOSED. (v.) Soledad Calvino.

LA Times: Reporter Tony Barboza was looking for records of any large lead-soil cleanups completed in CA neighborhoods near industrial sites to compare the news that the Exide Technologies cleanup in Vernon could involve up to 10,000 homes. No other site comparable in size in California. Sent him fact sheet on the West Oakland Lead Cleanup project using fish bones. SFUND. CLOSED. (v.) Soledad Calvino

Coverage of Gold King mine release:

Associated Press: John Hillenbrand is quoted in an article today about Superfund mine cleanups, and Iron Mountain Mine.

<http://bigstory.ap.org/article/82823810eed24b16a8000733c0c3a174/navajo-nation-says-it-feels-brunt-colorado-mine-leak>

WEB

Social Media:

Gold King Mine Spill – At the request of headquarters, shared updates about Gold King Mine on our [Facebook](#) and [Twitter](#) pages and linked to our [Gold King Mine](#) page.

Web Updates:

Hawaii Enforcement – Posted the proposed Heavenly Hana CA/FO to the [Enforcement website](#).

Navajo NPDES Permit – Posted the public notice and other documents related to the Navajo Tribal Utility Authority Ganado permit to the [NPDES Permits page](#).

CONGRESSIONAL & INTERGOVERNMENTAL

Congressional Outreach on Gold King Mine: Brent Maier reminded Congressional staff of today's daily update call for EPA activities related to the Gold King Mine release.

Rep. Ann Kirkpatrick (D-AZ-1): Brent Maier confirmed with the Congresswoman's Chief of Staff, Carmen Gallus, that EPA Region IX's CDR William Robberson, P.E. of our Regional Response Teams and Tom Dunkelman, Federal On-Scene Coordinator would be attending the meeting the Congresswoman had today with Page City Mayor Bill Diak and Judy Franz, Executive Director, Chamber of Commerce.

Sen. Dianne Feinstein (D-CA): Brent Maier coordinated and participated in a call with James Peterson in the Senator's DC office regarding the status of the Iron Mountain Mine cleanup as well as the Administrator's statement giving direction to the Regional Administrators about EPA's ongoing field work at mines throughout the country and specifically for EPA Region IX sites following the Gold King Mine incident. Superfund Division's Lily Tavassoli and John Lyons participated in this discussion.

Rep. Ed Royce (R-CA-39): OCIR's Josh Lewis sent on an inquiry from Congressman Ed Royce regarding a constituent, Hua Rong International Corporation, that is seeking their offices assistance on a shipment of motorcycles that are being held up at the Port of Long Beach, which they claim is due to EPA actions. Brent Maier reached out to Enforcement Division's Joel Jones and Matt Salazar on this constituent issue. Brent offered to schedule a call this afternoon with the Congressman's staff and learned from them that the constituent had heard from EPA on this issue and no longer required any additional assistance. The Congressman's office agreed that this inquiry will not be responded to in writing and Brent let HQ colleagues know that this matter will be closed out with no additional response needed.

Sen. Martin Heinrich (D-NM): Brent Maier followed up on an inquiry received by Regional Counsel Sylvia Quast regarding the claims process for the Gold King Mines release. Brent spoke with Ernesto Rodriguez in the Senator's DC office and provided some information including the EPA HQ statement on the claims process, website link and information about the daily update calls. Mr. Rodriguez spoke with the Senator who told him that their office is going to reach out to the Department of Justice with some questions about the claims process. Brent has alerted Carolyn Levine in HQ OCIR that Ernesto may also follow up with her next week.

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OCIR Call for Hot Topics for ECOS Fall 2015 Meeting: OCIR's Andrea Barbary is requesting Regional Hot Topics "bullets" for the upcoming ECOS 2015 Fall Meeting – August 31st – September 2nd in Newport, RI. OCIR is requesting shortened bullets from the earlier Hot Topics submitted for the ECOS 2015 Spring Meeting. The requested due date is Monday, August 17th.